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DAD LIVES THERE.

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BY EARLE REMINGTON.

Yes, I reckon 'tis a "jay town," and doesn't amount to much. To folks that's used to big hotels, and restaurants and such; We've got a couple of taverns, though, a standin' on the "square." And it's all right for me, you know, 'cause Dad lives there.

There's no elevated railroads, and nary cable line, But there's a pavement all the way up town, and walkin's very fine,

Exceptin' when it's rainin', then the mud'll make you swear;

But it's all right for me, you know, 'cause Dad lives there.

They've got no waterin' places, but the graveyard's nice and near,

And there's a brewery handy, if you're looking for your beer,

And every Summer regular they have a "county fair;"

Oh, it's all right for me, you know, 'cause Dad lives there.

They have a heap of troupes, too, down at the opery;

Tho' I've heard some of 'em sayin' that "the gatherin's were N. G."

But when a circus comes around they make things rip and tear;

And it's all right for me, you know, 'cause Dad lives there.

MY UNIQUE EXPERIENCE.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY GEORGE REARDON.

I am going to tell you the story of an engagement that I once filled. You will have to be satisfied with the assurance that I am an actor, without learning my name. There are those who could tell, if they knew me, the names of the people concerned in my narrative, and I do not wish to be personal.

I was not very well known in New York at that time—not even so well as I am now, which is saying a great deal—and the season was a bad one. My friend Bob assured me that Mr. Roadstar had had a company out all the season before, and had made money. I afterwards learned that the shrewd young star and manager had told him this, so he got it from first hands. Told him at the time he spoke of my joining his company, too; so Bob had it fresh.

If the fact that he engaged me thirty hours before we left New York, and the circumstance that, with a company of young people, he had one partial rehearsal on Saturday when he was to open on Monday, gave me any misgivings, I put them aside. I fancy actors must be much like other people, and look at things, not as they are, but as they would have them. Apropos, I found Mr. Roadstar quite willing, all through the trip, that we should look at things in that way.

Well, we sailed away from New York on Sunday evening, one of several theatrical parties starting out for the season. Ours was the most modest of the number; yet I reflected that despite the pretensions of the others we were all bound for the same goal. Oddly enough, we came in first, too—but let that pass. It was a beautiful moonlight evening in the early Fall, and everybody seemed to be in the best of spirits—even some genial souls that had plenty of spirits in them.

We rehearsed all the next day, and at night opened to a house just large enough, the local manager told us, to advertise the show and fill the rink theatre for the next two nights. Everybody was tired and nervous after the day's hard work; the play was a heavy one and had not received one thorough rehearsal, and had to be repeated the next night, for nothing else could be got ready. Consequence: Our first stand was a dead failure—for which the Mr. Roadstar roundly cursed his company. On the third night we put up another play, as insufficiently rehearsed and as badly played as the first.

The jump the next day cost at least twice as much as it should have cost, and when we got to the next town we found that the local manager—we had no advance man; Roadstar attended to this himself, and saved expenses—had displayed our paper to such good advantage that nobody knew of our coming. I shall never forget how lonesome Roadstar looked that night as he stood by the door, taking tickets—I mean, he would have taken tickets if there had been any to take. I think even a rush of cold air would have been a welcome novelty to him.

Although I had been assured that the time was filled for a long season before joining the party, the next day, Friday, our next stand was secured, and the paper sent on. The freight agent must have been kindly disposed toward us, for it was all there when we arrived.

On Saturday night we added another play to our repertory; and, as it was impossible to get out of town after the performance, or early Sunday morning, we stayed in the hotel all day Sunday. It was a good play, and contained many good lines, which I am sure the company would have taken pleasure in introducing to the audience if they had been better acquainted with them themselves. As it was, one man—not the star—and the prompter, who was not by any means perfect in his lines, had to carry the piece.

Our third stand, of three nights length, does not

call for special mention. It was very like the two that preceded it. On the first night in the next town we played to the smallest audience we had yet faced, the opposition to us being a heavy rain, that made us smile with satisfaction as we thought of how the whole town, which had turned out to attend a political meeting in the Court House, would get drenched.

But the company by this time had got easy in their parts, and gave a very fair performance; so that our business increased, and on Saturday night we had a well filled house. Why the manager did not cancel his next date, and stay here until he had worked the town to death, I cannot

gave a very even performance of "East Lynne" before as large an audience as we saw on our trip. (Right here I wish to assure a certain mischievous Bohemian, who is looking over my shoulder, while the smoke from his pipe is laying the base for a superstructure of strong language on the part of some compositor—that we did not play "Uncle Tom's Cabin"—we only studied and rehearsed it.) A new leading lady had been added to our party during the week, and with but three days' notice she played Lady Isabel in a way that would be creditable to a much older actress, with plenty of time for preparation.

To this clever girl I am indebted for many pleas-

forget, because of the pleasant people I met and the pleasant days I spent there. Nowhere else did we find such intelligent, appreciative audiences. It is true that we opened there to a small audience, but that was due to lack of advertising. The second night, a very rainy one, we had a much better house. Then several of the company went away to accept other engagements, and we were forced to stop for a few days, as we could not play our old pieces. We began to study a new play, to bring it out at a benefit tendered the company.

When that benefit might come, we faced a fine audience, composed of the best people of the town.

BEATRICE CAMERON.

Beatrice Cameron, whose portrait graces this page, is a native of Troy, N.Y., and is in private life Susie Hegeman, the daughter of a physician of that city. Her first appearance on the stage was in 1884, when she obtained the introduction by chance, as it were. Mrs. James Brown Potter and an amateur company were rehearsing for a performance of "The Midnight Marriage," when the young lady who was to play the gypsy girl, Shoeberry, fell ill. Miss Cameron, who was one of the audience admitted to the rehearsals, stepped forward and offered to supply the place of the invalid. The volunteer had had no previous experience, and was quite unknown to the management, but after some hesitation her offer was accepted, and she appeared in the part with great success. This led to an engagement with the regular Madison Square Co. in this city, with whom she appeared in "Called Back" and "Young Mrs. Winthrop." Afterwards she went on tour, and then joined Richard Mansfield, taking the leading parts in his repertory. She has remained in his support during the past two seasons, and is with him now in England.

BULL FIGHTING BY ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Thursday's bull fight by electric light in the Colosseum was a grand success, marred only by the fact that the light was insufficient, especially in the early part of the engagement, when almost total darkness prevailed. However, the light gradually became stronger, until it gave a fair illumination which was helped out by Bengal lights. The apprehension that the bulls would refuse to fight under the unaccustomed light was dispelled from the start, the first bull that was entered making things fairly hum as soon as he struck the ring. The whole made a wonderful, almost weird scene. About seven thousand spectators were present, all of whom apparently endeavored to make as much noise as possible. A most novel and remarkable sight was presented after the fourth bull was let in. He plunged around wildly, making a few lunges, but refused to show much fight. The cry "Otto toro!" started in a few places first, then it was taken up more and more until the whole ring was roaring, and the noise was frightful. Just at this point some one commenced waving

white handkerchief, and the example was caught up like a dash, until apparently every man, woman and child in the audience was waving a handkerchief or rag, making a most picturesque scene.—*The Two Republics.*

A LADY DEER SLAYER.

Bisby is again a palace hall deserted. All the gay company that enlivened this wild woods retreat the last six weeks have gone, except Miss Gussie Pomeroy, who loves the woods for itself alone and does not need the adjunct of human society to make her happy in nature's haunts. Miss Gussie is the principal owner of the Mountain Home Hotel at Wilmurt, and for several years has been wont to spend her Summers at that pleasant spot. But the more she sees of the beautiful woods the more she wants to see of them, and she came here for variety. She is the most expert oarswoman we have had, is at home on the longest and roughest trails, an expert in ride practice, and as a snowshoer can keep up in the Winter with the smartest of the guides. On Friday last she tried her hand at deer hunting with Billy Watson as guide. She visited the Second Lake, where she was soon put in sight of a large buck. With the coolness of a veteran, she took aim at the buck, and her ball, true to the aim, struck the creature at the intended spot, breaking the spine and killing him on the spot. It was a proud achievement for the young lady, and her coolness and skill are warmly commended by the old hunters.—*Boonville (Ky.) Herald.*

A DOG WHIPPED BY A COON.

A novel battle between quadrupeds was witnessed by two dozen fortunate sportsmen in Cleveland, O., recently. The combatants were a twenty-four pound fighting bull terrier, owned there, and a raccoon of the same weight, which was brought up there from Galion in a wooden box. The conditions of the fight, which was for \$25 a side, were that the dog must kill the coon in twenty minutes to win the money. The fight came off in an old brewery, a regular pit having been constructed. The owner of the dog held the brute's head between his knees and gave him a sight of the coon. When the word was given the door of the box was opened, and at the same time the terrier was loosed. The animal came together like a whirlwind. The coon went over on its back and the dog's teeth closed over bunch of hair on the coon's breast. The bull's teeth were not long enough to reach the flesh, and the coon's neck and head being free, it made the most of its opportunity. Its sharp teeth rattled like castanets about the head and neck of the terrier, each snap of the long jaws taking away a section of flesh and skin. There were several charges, and at each the dog got the worst of it. At the end of sixteen minutes the owner of the terrier gave up the fight, and the coon was returned to its box, apparently unharmed. The dog was completely whipped, its head, neck and nose being literally cut to pieces and covered with blood.

It was well enough, Mr. Richelieu, to say in your unprogressive time: "The pen is mightier than the sword;" but now we remark that the type writer is more puissant than the Gatling gun.

IN A BEUGLAR PICKLE.—Corned beef.



Imagine. This is the time honored custom with such managers, I am given to understand.

Mr. Roadstar, unnerved by the good house, so far forgot himself as to say that now that the company was doing creditable work he would go into the section of country where he was a favorite, while he had told us before that he owned every place we had been in. I heard one cynic ("an you guess, Lisette, that this cynic was") say that he wished the tenants would pay up, so that Roadstar might do likewise. This reminds me that during the whole trip certain members of the company showed a great liking for walking in graveyards; but whether they thought that ghosts walk in these places and they might see one, is something that I never could find out.

The next two places we visited were smaller than the first four, so we stayed in each of them for a week. The first one was thoroughly covered with dodgers at 4 P.M. on the day we opened there, and the audience at night didn't belie this fact. This was a stroke of good fortune, as the company for some unaccountable reason imitated a crab that I have heard about somewhere, and went backward, giving a very bad performance—that is, worse than usual, I mean. Another thing, as we did not have a repertory large enough for a week stand, we were able to repeat the opening night's bill without fear of keeping anybody away because he or she had seen the piece before.

Business improved throughout the week, and on Saturday night the company, without the star,

spent hours while she remained with us. What long walks we took together! What talks we had! When the time that she was to leave the company drew near, how we forgot the value of sleep, as we talked and jested and laughed until almost time to see "the morn, in russet mantle clad!" We have never met since; but I know she will not soon forget the beautiful country we saw at that time: the great hills, with their bright Autumn tinted foliage and snow covered tops; the quiet, still green valleys; the pretty, half hidden brooks and bivers. None but the severest storms could keep us indoors, and most of the days were

They came expecting to see a good performance of a play that was then attracting attention everywhere, a play that depended entirely on the star, and in which all the other parts—which were carefully studied and played—were all feeders, and they were disappointed because our star and manager, with a total disregard for right, and honor, and gratitude, had neglected to study his lines!

"There is a letter here for King William," said a tall man, as he stepped up to the general delivery window of the post office. "For King William!" answered the clerk. "Oh, no, you are mistaken; he is in Berlin, and no letter of his would stay in this post office." "Well, I saw it in the advertised list today," said the tall man, and this immediately opened the eyes of the clerk. The letter was for William King, which was the caller's name, and in the list the Christian always follows the surname, hence the mystification of the government employee. The man for whom the letter was intended thought he had to give his name just as it was printed in the paper.

HOMEOPATHY is again triumphant. A cure for Jim Jams has been discovered. In accordance with the law of Hahnemann—similia similibus curantur—patients are instructed to swallow snakes instead of whiskey.—*Puck.*

NATURE maintains an eternal balance. The slimmer the neck, the higher the collar.

THE THEATRE IN AMERICA.

Its Rise and Progress during a Period of 150 Years—A Succinct History of Our First and Famous Plays and Playhouses—Opening Bills, Casts of Characters, Distinguished Actors and Actresses, Notable Debuts, Deaths, Fairs, Etc.

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THE NEW YORK STAGE.

The Olympic Theatre (Concluded).

Mary Gannon commenced here at the opening of the season of 1848-9, and quickly became a favorite with the audiences. Her best roles were Leander in *Planché's* burlesque, "Hero and Leander," and Margot in "The Poultry Dealer." She was in those days a beauty, fresh and plump with a foot that Titan might have envied, eyes that sparkled like dew drops in the early sun, a sweet ever ready laugh, and a vivacious nature which fitted her admirably for the burlesques and comediettas. Mr. Mitchell was so fond of producing "Our Mary" Taylor and Constantia Clarke, contested with her the palm of popularity. Mary Taylor could out sing her; Clarke could out act her; yet Mary Gannon could always win the lion's share of applause. A glance, a peal of laughter, a graceful turn of her head, the "H! H!" of the pit was hers for the night. At Wallack's later, as at the Olympic, she was the favorite of the town, of the theatre and the management.

During the Fall of 1849, finding that as Burton's Theatre gained in popularity his declined, Mitchell brought his management of this place to a close. "Caudle Lectures" by Ben A. Baker, were quite a feature here. With Mitchell and George Holland, the audience were treated to a fund of humor. "Poor Pillicoddy" was played here, for the first time in New York. Mary Gannon and George Holland had the leading characters. The season closed March 9, 1850, and Mr. Mitchell retired from management.

It was a bad custom of Mitchell's to permit outsiders to go behind the scenes; in fact, any man of prominence, who could get an introduction to Mr. Mitchell, would at night, find "behind" his habitation with members of his company. On the occasion of Charles Dickens' visit to this country, "Boz in America" was played here, with Horncastle as Boz. On the first night of its presentation Dickens happened to be "behind." He was introduced to his "double," and so much was he struck by Horncastle's clever make up for him, that he sent a messenger to his hotel and procured the hat and overcoat which he wore when he landed, and Horncastle wore them during the play.

For years this abuse of going behind the stage has existed with the majority of theatres; but no recognized legitimate manager will, I can safely say, permit any one not directly connected with the stage to enter its portals. This is not so with those managers who have what is known as the "leg-show" as an attraction. Not only are strangers permitted to attend rehearsals, but to go behind the scenes during performances in practice, which is fraught with a two-fold evil. Firstly, it lowers and depreciates the character of the effort intended to be produced in the piece about to be performed, and, secondly, it gives an opportunity of ample license for the exercise of immorality in different phases. The scenes thus privileged to go behind the scenes generally do so for no legitimate or honorable purpose—a fact to which many can bear unequivocal testimony from personal observation and experience. If some chapters of events recorded as having occurred in the green rooms of some of our theatres were opened and perused, their contents would shock any man having the slightest regard for rectitude. Behind the curtain it is true, the "mirror is held up to nature" as well as before it, but in the former case, it often gives the reflection in the reverse, showing vice and depravity very often in their most hideous shapes.

Now, to prevent all this, there is a very simple course open—to admit no non-professional persons on the stage. They have no business there. Their place is before the curtain, if they want to see performances or the sidewalk during a rehearsal. If professional dues are excepted from behind the scenes and made to occupy their proper places among their own class, then will the order and regularity which are so essential to the proper development of the drama be undisturbed and scenes of flirtation and indecorousness be banished permanently from the stage.

The favorites at this house were Mrs. Timm, Mary Taylor, Mrs. Watts, Mrs. Hardwick, Miss Singleton, Constantia Clarke, Miss Roberts, Miss Phillips, Julia Turnbull, Anna Cruise, Mrs. H. Isherwood, Miss Partington, Mrs. W. Isherwood, George Browne, Horncastle, Edwin Graham, Walcot Fenn, Nickenson, Holland, Conover, Bleeker, Levere, De Bar, Dennison, Dunn, Rosenthal, Ben Baker, Geo. Loder and Ben Woolf.

William Mitchell was engaged in England by Tom Flynn as comedian of the National Theatre (Leonard and Church Streets), this city. He arrived in New York in July, and made his American debut Aug. 29, 1836, as Jim Bagg in "The Wandering Minstrel." He was received with enthusiasm and during his whole career evoked the kindest treatment from his audience. His versatility was well tested during his connection with the National, he appearing at one time as the first Witch to Forrest's Macbeth; Tom Bagg, in Celeste's "St. Mary's Eve"; Beppo, in "Fra Diavolo," and Pedrito Potts, in "John of Paris." He was stage manager of the National, and continued there until it was destroyed by fire, Sept. 23, 1839, when he leased the Olympic, where, from the first night, his success was established. For twelve years the Olympic, under his management, was the most popular place of amusement in this country. Old New Yorkers will remember with pleasure the comedies, vaudevilles, burlesques, comic operas, etc., presented by such actors as Mitchell, John Nickenson, James Henry Horncastle, Edwin Chas. Walcott, Sr., W. Conover, Geo. Holland, "Our Mary" Taylor, "little" Constantia Clarke, Mrs. Timm, Charlotte Nickenson (afterwards Mrs. Morrison), successful manageress in Canada) and many more compatriots whose efforts will ever be green in the memory. He produced a series of English operas in a careful and artistic manner. "Amilie, or the Love Test," enjoyed a long period of success. His tact as a manager and his merits as an actor ensured his success. His expenses were only \$80 per night. His yearly profits for ten years were once estimated at from \$10,000 to \$12,000 per annum. He achieved greater success in eccentric parts than in broad, low comedy. His Crummels was so capital that the name adhered to him for life. He achieved his triumph by spurning the conventionalities of ordinary actors, and founding for himself a school of naturalness and intellectuality which gave a marked degree of freshness to all his efforts. For if in comedy, his humor was of a boldest, exuberant character, adapted with artistic skill to the character delineated; and if in serious drama, it was a sombre, saddening picture, rarely exaggerated, but affecting from its naturalness. How many of us can remember laughing at the eccentric drollery of Crummels, or being affected almost to tears by the pathos and intensity of Grindell's White Death—great was the artist's triumph. Yet his success, at least upon the stage, is but fleeting and ephemeral, and may be annihilated by the merest accident. The glory is frail, the fortune uncertain, of all that emanates from humanity. Mitchell could well understand the pathos and naturalness of his acting in serious drama. He was a man of strict integrity, though rigidly economical in his business arrangements. I have heard of many good actions performed by him, and among them I know of his having paid an actor (John Nickenson) of his company a regular weekly stipend during several months of illness. (The money was taken to him each week by Ben Baker.) He was exceedingly popular with his employees and his patrons, and made the Olympic the jolliest theatre in the city. We have had no New York manager more able, more vigorous, more capable of catering to the public taste than William Mitchell.

Illness compelled him to give up the theatre. At the close of the season, affected almost to tears, he bade adieu, forever, to his audience, who had thronged the theatre to witness his last personation of the well known Crummels. Poor Mitchell passed rapidly from the world's memory, like a bubble on the current of some sunlit stream, which sparkles gaily for a while, then bursts and is seen no more. He died in this city May 12, 1856, after a long period of suffering, mental and physical. His disease was paralysis, which, while it destroyed his physical powers, left his mind as clear and vigorous as ever. It is said that he died poor. He died in poverty, and his friends had commenced the work of getting him a benefit, when they were anticipated by death. But there are other cases which were better left unspoken. Beneath the green sod of the cemetery poverty disappears and is concealed with our decay; an untautened name outlives life's details and adds additional lustre to the memory of the artist's triumphs.

William E. Burton tried to resuscitate this theatre, opening it Sept. 9, 1850, and he acted here in "The Serious Family" Sept. 17, and in "Peer Pillioddy" 19. Sept. 20, "The Daughter of the Stars" was the title of a play, presented with Mr. Howard as Hon. Anthony Hawkstone, and the extravaganza, "Jennyphobia" with George Skerrett as Vesuvius and Mr. Conover as Seeds. The performance closed with "Alcestis." Sept. 21, "Dobson & Co.," the burletta of "Alcestis," the burletta, "Actress of All Work," and the extravaganza, "Jennyphobia" was the bill. Burton's management closed Sept. 26. He paid Mitchell \$1,200 for all his possessions in this theatre. During Burton's tenancy he called the house "The Olympic Branch of Burton."

Followers' Minstrels took possession Sept. 20, and continued five nights. It was reopened Nov. 11 by W. A. Asche & Co. with a Vandeville company, consisting of W. Copland, Mr. McDougal, Lindsay, Miss Sheppard, Joseph Jefferson and Mrs. Henry. The programme was: "A Struggle for the Panta," "Peep at 8 P. M.," and "My Precious Betsy." During the evening the Ethiopian Rabel Family gave feats in legerdemain. This management closed Nov. 19. This house was afterwards let for various kinds of entertainments, and to anyone who could pay the rent.

Burgess' German National Theatre was what it was called when it opened June 18, 1851. "Hermesistische Studien," a two act farce by C. Lebrun, followed by Herr E. Zwing and wife, acrobats and magicians, and a Tyrolean dance executed by Demoiselle Therese La Toulier. June 20, "Die Schule der Verletten" ("The Love Chase") was acted; 24, "Der Vater Der Debutantin" ("The Father of the Young Actress"); when Herr Burgess had his first appearance here, 25 was opera night, when we recited for the first time the comic romantic opera, entitled "Precious," by Kari Maria Von Weber. The house was shortly after remodelled into a store and occupied by the Cheshire Crystal Glass Co. Several other kinds of business were carried on in the building. It was discovered to be on fire at 3 o'clock on the morning of Dec. 20, 1854, and the building was entirely consumed, including the City Assembly Rooms, which were above.

The City Assembly Rooms was the title given to a range of brick buildings erected by George W. Miller on the site of the old "Tattersall's" in the years 1850-51. The old Assembly Rooms were erected in 1845. Miller took the ground occupied by the Tattersall's on a long lease from the Lillard estate. He constructed a handsome ball-room, which was 82 feet long by 79 wide. The height of the ceiling was 32 feet. From a dome in the centre was suspended a chandelier valued at \$2,000. At the top of the room was a mirror, and at the bottom a floor. The house was shortly after remodelled into a store and occupied by the Cheshire Crystal Glass Co. Several other kinds of business were carried on in the building. It was discovered to be on fire at 3 o'clock on the morning of Dec. 20, 1854, and the building was entirely consumed, including the City Assembly Rooms, which were above.

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FOREIGN SHOW NEWS.

"THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL" was put on at the London Globe Feb. 9, with John T. Sullivan as Joseph Surface, Maud White as Maria, May Whitty as Lady Sneerwell, Weedon Grossmith as Benjamin Backbite and Kate Vaughan as Lady Teazle. Mr. Sullivan is credited with much success. Richard Mansfield will keep the above named piece on until "Richard III" is in shape for the pretentious production to be given it.

ALFRED CELLIER's opera for the London Lyric is to be called "Dorcas," its former title being "Barbara." It is a revision of an old piece.

SARAH BERNHARDT made, Jan. 23, her appearance at Rome, Italy, playing the title role in "Camillo."

"THE THREE PINTOS" an old opera by Carl Maria von Weber, received revival Jan. 18, at the Opera House, Vienna, Ger.

"PRINCESS DIANA" is the title of the drama of J. Wilton Jones, in which Marie Gordon made her appearance Feb. 4 at the Theatre Royal, Hull, Eng.

"DON GUSELDO," a dramatization of one of Ouida's novels, by Mr. and Mrs. John Alymer, is the title of a new piece produced by Sophie Scribe, who announces it for production in this city soon under the title of "Larissa."

"THE CHANINA OF THE BALKANS" is the title of a drama by Nicholas I. Prince of Montenegro, which recently received its premiere at the chief theatre in Cetinje, the capital of Montenegro.

"LA MARIE RECALCITRANTE" a three act farce-comedy by Leon Gaudiot, was produced Jan. 20 at the Delaix Theatre, Paris.

"L'ETUDIANTE PAUVRE" ("The Beggar Student") was sung in Paris, Jan. 18, at the Menus Plaisirs theatre. The French critics claim that the libretto of this opera is almost identical with that of "Le Guitare," which was written by Eugene Scribe for Halevy's opera, and first heard in Paris in 1841.

THE FRENCH government has interdicted the production of Ary Eclat's piece, "L'Officier Bleu" at the Gymnase, Paris. "Jacques L'Eventreur" ("Jack the Ripper") has also been refused a license.

"MARTIN LUTHER," a festival drama by Herzig, was successfully produced Jan. 28 at Hamburg, Ger.

"LURED TO LONDON" is the title of a four act piece to be produced by W. J. Patmore and A. B. Moss, which is to be produced Feb. 14, in the English provinces.

"A DAY'S SPORT," by Corney Graine, was done for the first time by the German Reeds, Jan. 28, in London.

"SAVAGETTE" is the title of a new opera by Chassaigne. It will be done in London, under the title of "1796," the original title being used in Paris.

WILSON BELLAMY will sail from England next October for this country, where he will tour next season. He will carry his six caravans of scenery; thirteen was the number he was credited with during his last tour of the United States.

MR. TUSSAUD's famous wax works were sold in London, Feb. 5, to a syndicate.

"PICKWICK" called "Musical cantata" in one act, by F. C. Burnand (the music by Edward Solomon) received its premiere Feb. 7, at the Comedy Theatre, London. It did not create a profound sensation. Mr. Solomon introduced "The Lost Chord" as a jig, but subsequently apologized to Sir Arthur Sullivan, and withdrew the parody.

"GOOD OLD TIMES" is announced to succeed "Hamlet" this week at the London Princess.

"A FOOL'S PARADISE," by Sydney Grundy, is down for Feb. 12 at the London Gaiety.

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES.

"The Sunny South."

THE IDEAL.

A land of verdure, warmth and sun,
A land where Winter's no'er begun,
Where flowers bloom and wild birds sing—
Where all but happiness takes wing—
A land to fascinate the gaze,
A land to finish up one's day.

THE REAL.

A land of barrenness, cold and slush,
A land of hoe cakes and corn mush,
Where swamps abound and buzzards fly,
Where blackest clouds obscure the sky—
A land where trains ne'er come on time,
A land whose beauty's but in rhyme.

HATTIE ANDERSON.

The younger daughter of the late Selina Dolaro, now playing in Mrs. Langtry's Co. as Miss Belasco, is to be sent abroad to be educated, with a view to permanently adopting the stage when she is older.

— William T. Price, who recently retired as dramatic editor of *The New York Star*, is now completing an extensive compilation of the history of Manager A. M. Palmer and the Union Square Theatre.

— H. C. Husted has arranged to secure the rights in "Rosedale" for 1886-90, and he will put the piece on the road for a tour, opening March 18, in Philadelphia. Geo. C. Bonney will play Elliot Grey supported by H. G. Clark, Marion Lester, Marcus Moriarty, E. L. Walton, Adele Palmer, and others.

— Mrs. Caroline Aurelia Hill McNair, the southerner who had her husband, Robert McNair, of W. J. Scanlan's Co., arrested in this city Feb. 4, on a charge of abandonment, called upon Justice O'Reilly at the Jefferson Market Police Court 6 and withdrew her complaint. She said that Mr. McNair had promised to support her, and she had accepted his promise. So ended a regrettable affair.

— Helen Dauvray has signed to star for three years under H. C. Miner's management, opening next season, probably in this city. She will play "A Scrap of Paper," "One of Our Girls" and, perhaps, a new piece.

— Mrs. J. B. Potter will spend next summer abroad.

— Geo. Hecht has resigned his position as stage manager with Atkinson's "Reuben Glue" Co., and joined forces with N. S. Wood to play Harry James in "The Walks of New York."

— Dan Costello Jr. joined Ed. Anderson's Chicago Comedy Co. at Zionville, Ind., Feb. 2.

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— At the conclusion of their performance at De Land, Fla., Feb. 2, Little Gilmer, prima donna of the Gilmer Opera Co., at Wallace, Macon County, was married on the stage. Charlotte Le Brunne and Albert W. Brown are with the company, the latter joining recently at Sanford, Fla. The company report good business. The white spectre makes its regular perambulations. Wm. J. Armstrong is the manager.

— Fitzpatrick's Boston Ideal "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Co. report good business in the South.

— The ghost is a regular visitor.

— Luke J. Loring, of the late "Among the Pines" Co., has been engaged to play Job Arrmorday in "Lost in London," for a tour of fifty-two weeks, opening in May at Bellows Falls, Vt. The trip includes a fortnight in Frisco. Mr. Loring thus becomes the stellar successor of Newton Beers, who, in turn, will devote himself to his new "Enoch Arden" production.

— Helene Brooks Mestayer has been engaged by Rich & Harris to play the French part in "Jed Prouty." They open at Bangor, Me., Easter Monday. Mrs. Mestayer is now at her Hartington, Ct., home.

— Henrietta Jocelyn has signed with "The Two Sisters" Co.

— Sig. Perugini will sail for Europe Feb. 19, to receive further medical treatment for his deafness.

— Katharine Rogers is the understudy for Agnes Booth in "Captain Swift."

— Mrs. Lou Thropp has left Barry & Fays' "McKenna's Flirtation," and returned to this city.

— W. W. Taylor has signed with Edwin Arden.

— Richard Koenig, advance agent for August Junkerman, left for Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2, where his star opened 9 at the Grand Opera House. Herr Junkerman is supported by Ambert's Theatre Co. The tour will include several other Western cities before Herr Junkerman's return to this city.

— George Dean Spalding was obliged to cancel his engagements last week, on account of an accident to his harp.

— Mrs. Minnie Vernon at Chicago, Ill., Feb. 6, sued out a writ against Daniel S. Vernon, agent of the "A Legal Wreck" Co. Mrs. Vernon charges that Mr. Vernon has not contributed to

HALLIN & HART'S "Later On" received its city premier evening of Feb. 11, at the Star Theatre. The house was packed to suffocation, and the audience enjoyed and applauded the many bright things in the piece, the company (and not the play) making a most pronounced popular success. H. Grattan Donnelly is down as the author of the piece, but the credit of the bright bits evidently belong to the various people who introduce them. Fred Hallin and Joe Hart are the pivotal points as Jack Plunger and Jolly Todd, their greatest successes being in their specialties, which gave them so high a place in the vanderbilts. The dancing and singing of Mr. Hallin and the banjo playing of Mr. Hart were their brightest hits. They displayed fetching costumes in the second act; their appearance was warmly greeted. John T. Kelly made a pronounced hit as the Sheriff, and introduced his clever exchange of specialties with telling effect. He is an excellent master of his art, and fully deserved the hearty reception accorded him. J. Bernard Dwyer was seen and heard to advantage in a congenial role, his vocal endeavors especially winning well deserved recognition. Georgia Parker scored a bright and telling success. Her nimbleness, earnestness and fun making propensities easily won her encors, which were fully merited. Her dancing specialty was, as usual, a great hit and she was forced to respond several times. She was also complimented with extensive floral offerings. Hilda Thomas was well cast, displaying elegant costumes and singing with success, her selections being well suited to the tastes of the audience. The others of the people were capable in their various lines, and contributed liberally to the popular success. The manager, Harry Hart, is to be congratulated on the auspicious metropolitan engagement. The piece should crowd the theatre during its week's stay here. The full cast is: Fanny West, Georgia Parker; Rose Seed, Hilda Thomas; Patchouli Seed, Flora Zanfretta; Tilly Tipps, Lillie Mabel; Mollie Wais, Dodie Morton; Tilly Tipps, Carrie Cartidge, Jennette Baggett; Susie Caps, Virginia Earl; Venus Powder, Frankie Raymond; Gracie Shot, Graham; Bandana, Clutch, John T. Kelly; Hayes Seed, Bernard Dwyer; Dr. Blossom and Midway Smiles, W. P. Guiberson; Jack Plunger, Fred Hallin; Jolly Todd, Joe Hart. "The Stowaway" comes 18.

The New York Telegraph Operators will give an entertainment and reception at Turn Hall Feb. 19. An original skit, entitled "Dots and Dashes," and George M. Baker's drama, "Above the Clouds," will be presented by a selected company of amateurs. Eugene Adamson, Al. Lorraine and Leila Knodell are to assist. The entertainment will be under the direction of M. J. Dixon. A reception will follow.

FRANK DANIELS is this week's star at the Harlem Comedy, playing "Little Puck."

CLARK & CO. MINSTRELS gave an excellent white face concert at Niblo's Sunday night, Feb. 10, to a large house. The soloists were Banks Winter, Joe Carpenter, R. G. Newell, Herbert Crowley, Leopold and Russell, E. de Tommaso, Chas. McCann, J. M. Norcross, Jas. Norrie, M. J. Kinn, Chas. Ballard and others. The troupe will give a second concert at this house next Sunday night, 17.... Dockstader's Minstrels gave their second white face Sunday concert at the Bijou on the same date. Harry Pepper, W. P. Sweetnam, George Marion, Lew Dockstader and others appeared to a good house.... The Windsor was occupied Sunday night, 10, to a perfect concert to Henrietta Markstein, under the management of John M. Turner and Henry Dobbin. Jennie Pierce, Helen C. Wynkoop, Clara Webb, W. H. Rieger, Harry Fisher, J. Gordon Emmons and others appeared.

THE Edwin Forrest Lodge, Actors' Order of Friendship, held its regular meeting at its room in the Broadway Theatre, Feb. 3, and initiated as new members William H. Cram, Joseph H. Jowett, Joseph H. Ladd, Edwin H. Price, Joseph H. Jowett, Joseph H. Ladd, M. C. Daly and Joseph Arthur. On these new members were admitted: Joseph E. Whiting, J. W. Shannon, W. J. Ferguson, Henry T. Chanfrau, W. J. Scanlan, Charles Reed, Charles M. Collins, Redfield Clarke, Frank A. Lyon, L. Fred, Hooker, Eugene H. Bertram, Bassett Willard, Charles H. Canfield, Oscar Eagle and James E. Sidney. A number of applications were received, which will be acted on March 3. The number of members in this lodge is now about one hundred and fifty.

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Hollis Slavin's Theatre.—Rice's "Evangeline," a dear old friend of Bostonians, to whom it was presented a dozen years ago, was again offered to us Feb. 11. It will run a week only, with Maudie Fortescue, Ed. V. Van and E. Starr; of course, Ed. Morris, George Schellin, Irene Vinton, and a Kestrel, and Glover and others in the company. W. Keene did a tragical week 9. Gilmore's "Twelve Temptations" open 18, and on 23 M'rs. J. B. Potter will begin an engagement of two weeks. "Antony and Cleopatra," the advertising which the star and the author, I believe, really have been subjected to, and it's a questionable kind of advertising to my mind, will go a long way to be sure, toward dragging the production through to much financial success at all events. You may be sure that Bostonians will not be overruled in the dispensation of all the local stars of the George Potter gossip. The Hollis' usher will hold their fourth annual ball at Odd Fellows' Hall March 12.

BOSTON MUSEUM.—"The Lost Lavender" is in its running week, and will run to a full house. Mr. Pitt signed last week with Manager Field for next season. This action was precipitated by an offer which Mr. Pitt received from the manager of one of the best theatres in your metropolis. Mr. Field is certainly the gainer by this arrangement. Manager Pitt is pleased because he says he likes Boston.

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NEW YORK OPERA HOUSE.—"The Two Sisters" drew big 7-9. Frederic Bryton comes 12. "Zigzag" 14-16. William Ludwig will be attracted 13. "Hippodrome" did well 4, followed by "Romeo and Juliet" to good business. "A Scrap of Paper" and "The Pixie's Club," by local talents (repetition), 9, drew a good audience.

WEST VIRGINIA.

PARKERSBURG.—"The Two Sisters" came Feb. 4 to a packed house. Gus Hill's World of Novelties was here 6 to a fair audience. Coming: Prof. Lowande's Gift Show 15, 19. Mels Sisters' Concert 20. "A Bunch of Girls" 21, 22. "The Two Sisters" 23, 24. "The Two Sisters" 25, 26. "The Two Sisters" 27, 28. "The Two Sisters" 29, 30. Booked for 11: Ada Wilkes, Lena Aperia, Emma and Tommy Harris, Gibson and Miles, Dave Tracy and the stock. A benefit will be given Prof. Chris. Schutte 22. He has secured a position with Barnum & Baily's Circus as calliope player for next season.

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Fshaw half open, ears a-grating—
Rolled on my head—no more skating!

EDWARD GORMAN

FRANK PIRRUNG has signed with Gus Hill's World of Novelties for next season. He is only one of a number of European novelties that Mr. Hill will introduce on his next season's tour.

DR. KIT KENYON, manager of the Kickapoo Indian Medicine Co., No. 19, was presented with an initial ring, set with diamonds, on his birthday, Jan. 31, by the company. The roster: Dr. Kit Kenyon, Mrs. Mata Kenyon, Prof. A. H. Davis, Daisy Davis, Eddie Weston and five Chippewa Indians. Business is reported big.

COSTUME AND PARADES commenced a five weeks' engagement Jan. 26, in the New England States, making twelve weeks in all, this season. They return to this city March 4, to play a three weeks' engagement. They then go West for three months, playing the principal theatres.

SHAW AND WALLER, musical team, have dissolved partnership. John E. Waller has rejoined his old time partner, Joe Forrest, and they are with W. C. Coup's Equescurriculum.

P. T. BARNUM has given orders to his Bridgeport, Ct., agent, to begin pulling down Walldene, as he has decided not to have it moved as at first proposed, and to have the new house ready for himself and Mrs. Barnum on their return to Bridgeport on May 1.

FRANK HANLEY, of the Three Comets, and his wife, were sponsors, Feb. 3, at the baptism of Little Livingston Miller, only daughter of Frank and Hattie Livingston, reports by this city.

PROF. MORRIS represents excellent business with his Equine and Canine Paradox. The troupe lay off at Indianapolis, Ind., this week, when they will come East. Harry Ferren joined them at Indianapolis as manager, and, in company with Prof. Morris, left immediately for Ohio, to procure a car. The executive staff: Prof. Morris, proprietor; Harry Ferren, manager; Ed. C. Gifford, acting manager; George Singer, stage manager; Prof. Otto Metz, leader of band; Ed. Parsons, advance, and John Hedge, programmer.

DE LISH BROS., the Michigan trick rifle shots, have signed with the Cathers & Shallcross Circus of Frankford, Pa.

JOHN NATUR, tenor with Johnson & Slavin's Minstrels, was presented with a silver headed cane at Fall River, Mass., Feb. 6, by the members of the company headed by Carroll Johnson and Bob Slavin.

JOHN KERNELL presented John P. Slone, late business manager of Lester & Allen's Minstrels, with a diamond cluster pin last week at the Union Square Hotel, this city.

DR. B. W. DUNHAM's Ute Indian Medicine Co. is meeting with success in North Carolina. The roster: E. P. Leland, Joe Sabin, Harry Carroll, the Ute Indian Po-was-ka, squaw Morning Sun, papoose Little Thunder and the Sioux Indian Sun-ku-ru-wi-wi.

THE UNTALIAN Comedy and Specialty Co. disbanded at Elgin, Ill., Feb. 2. Salaries were paid in full.

ALBERT AND SHERIDAN have dissolved partnership. Mr. Sheridan intends doing sketches with his wife, Clara Vining.

THOMAS PRICE joined McCabe & Young's Minstrels at Jacksonville, Fla., as old Master Brewer.

FITZGERALD AND KING inform us that they have received a good offer to go South this winter, but prefer remaining at their home, Hoosick Falls, N. Y., until April, when they join Wm. Main & Co.'s Circus.

SMITH'S SWISS BELLRINGERS are touring Canada to reported good business. Commodore Foote and sisters are with them. The latter has been quite ill, but is rapidly improving.

A HUGE concert hall is to be built by Chas. Feltman, of Coney Island, at Fifth Avenue and Second Street, Williamsburg, N. Y. It will cost \$100,000, and will be modeled after the Schuetzen Hall, at Breslau, Ger.

The people so far engaged for the Orton Bros. Show include B. T. Bowman and wife, C. C. Matthews and wife, A. Giese and wife, H. Quinnell and wife, Irene Orton, A. T. Harris, W. J. Milligan, Sam Trebilcot and Bob Raynor. Prof. Dr. Richard will head the procession with a band of thirteen pieces. The show will travel by rail.

NOTES FROM DALE BROS.' SHOW.—During the recent engagement of Wyoming Jack (Dr. W. H. Dale) at Gettysburg, every member, including the Indians, was presented with a buck horn handled cane, cut from the noted Devil's Den on the Gettysburg battlefield, by Chief of Police Myers and Bert Danner, owners of the Battlefield Museum at that place. Jim Dale, the manager, reports good business through the Cumberland Valley. Will H. Love joins his old partner, Joe Mitchell, at Reading, Pa., April 7.

NOTES FROM THE SELLS BROS.—We have engaged the Oura Troupe of Japanese performers who recently arrived from Japan. We have purchased a flock of ostriches, the entire stock of the Santa Ana, Cal., Ostrich Farm, and will make them a leading feature of our show the coming season, after which we propose starting an ostrich farm at Columbus, O. We are having a car specially constructed in which to carry them. The car will be supplied with wire mesh, which will be fastened to the body of the car, and will be fastened to protect the birds while traveling. It is our intention to introduce twelve of these birds on the hippodrome track and mount them with boy riders, and have an ostrich race. Our season opens at Passadena, Cal., April 4.

JAMES E. GIBSON and Geo. Weaver joined one of Healy & Bigelow's Kickapoo Indian Medicine companies at Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 4.

TONY PASTOR'S Co. for his Spring tour will include the following: John Kernal, Sherman and Morrissey, Inman Sisters, Lillian Western, Clark and Williams, Geyer and Goodwin, and others. There will be some European novelties in the troupe. The season opens March 25 at Pastor's Theatre, this city. Millie Hilton will come back to this country next season, and will rejoin Mr. Pastor's Co., which will be unusually large for the Fall and Winter tour.

JOHN H. MACK and Geo. W. Woods have come together again, after eight years of separation.

JAMES DONALDSON JR. and Ira Paine's Co. will not take the road until the Fall of 1890. Mr. Paine will remain abroad for the next season.

LILLIAN NELLIE SPRING of the Stark Family, bicyclists, was presented last week with a handsome gold ring set with rubies and pearls, by P. N. Browne, stage manager of the Orpheum Theatre, San Francisco, Cal.

SAM T. JACK will not close the Lilly Clay Co. during the coming Summer. He will take an extensive trip through the Northwest and California, and will play several weeks in San Francisco, having already made the arrangements. He is to put on a burlesque of "Antony and Cleopatra" at Pittsburgh, Pa., in a few weeks.

WILSON T. KELCY has signed to go out with H. L. Leavitt's American Minstrels next season. His reported engagement for Frank Hewitt's Minstrels is erroneous, he writes, as his plans for the Summer season are not definitely fixed as yet.

ROBERT BRITTON, late of Weber and Britton, has joined hands with J. J. Murray, formerly of Murray and Leroy.

DR. SLOMSON'S ADVERTISERS are this week stations at Somerville, Mass. The roster: Tommy Mott, Harry West, Verner, John McCool, Jim Yunk, St. George, W. Darnell, Loft, and eight Indians, all under the direction of Frank H. Carr. The latter's lady friends at Somerville presented him with a handsome toilet set last week.

At the Bijou Theatre, Norfolk, Va., this week: Leo and Deilia Walters, Morton and West, Emily Hughes, Sadie Sands, Ida Jefferson and the regular stock.

NOTES FROM THE AL. G. FIELD MINSTRELS.—P. H. Wiseman left the company for his home Feb. 4, on account of ill health. He had been with us three seasons, and was a general favorite. J. C. Smith has signed to fill the vacancy. The blizzard struck us at Niagara. Falls 5, and Ellis Herr can testify to its severity, as his ears were badly frozen. A new afterpiece entitled "Scenes in a Dime Museum" is in rehearsal. Business continues fair.

HYATT FROST and his family are touring the Pacific Slope for health and a rest.

LEON RALSTON, the illusionist, is engaged with the Barnum & Bailey Show, 1888.

PREVIOUS BOSTON acrobats made their first appearance in this country last week with the Lucifer's Novelty Comedy Co. They come direct from the Folies Bergères Theatre, Paris.

AMONG the people who held forth at the Coliseum Theatre, Helena, Mont., last week, were: Campbell and Dempsey, Frank Binney, Eva Allen, Gorman and Thompson, Thos. J. Ripley, Kittle Chapman, Eva Woods, Grover and De Lorne, and the regular stock.

JAS. W. THOMPSON and wife, Kitty Smith, have been among the performers at Olympia Theatre, Chicago, Ill., last week or so. They have contracted to play Castle's circuit.

AMKET and Nicholson, Tom Fay (boss canvassman), C. T. Taylor, Annie Harvey, Jim Schram (boss hostler), Rush and Bryant, Charles Bell (lecturer), John Pifer, Mrs. Tille Pifer and Frank Wixom have signed with Pomery's Western World for the coming season. The show will travel by wagon, with one hundred head of horses. The tents, wagons, harnesses, etc., will be new. The paintings on the cages are said to be unusually fine, and are the work of Frank Van Ness. The band will be under the direction of Ben J. Becker.

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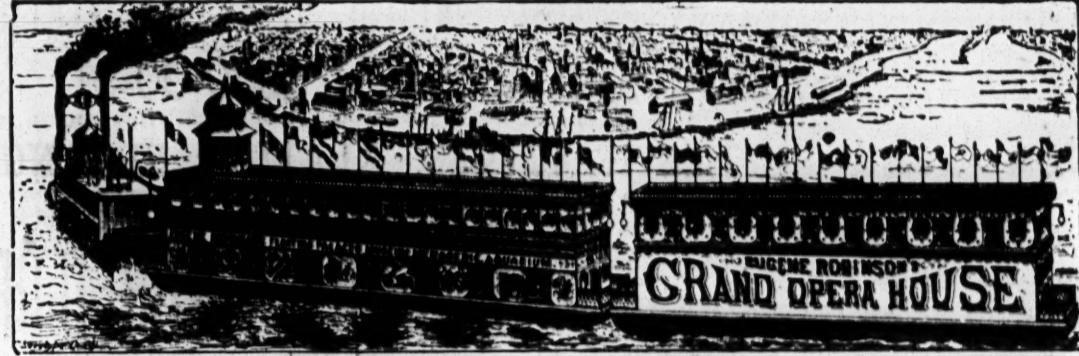
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